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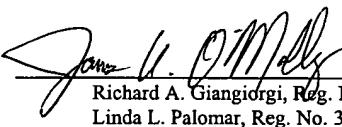
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action Restriction Requirement of April 14, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on May 14, 2004, Applicant elects Group I (Claims 12, 13, 27-32 and 34-39, drawn to a tool having a pawl system engaging the second jaw to advance the jaws when the handles are moved either way) without traverse. Within Group I, Applicant further elects Species B, namely a 3-to-1 tooth advancement ratio, without traverse. The claims readable on Species B are claims 12, 13, 27-32 and 34-39. Applicant explicitly reserves the right to include claims directed to additional embodiments of the invention upon the allowance of a generic claim. Currently, claims 12, 13, 27, 29-32 and 34-

35 are generic for Species A and B. In addition, Applicant explicitly reserves the right to file divisional applications on those non-elected claims.

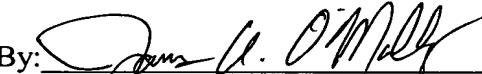
As Applicant is not aware of any prior art which would anticipate or render obvious the claims of the present invention, early allowance is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this Response to Restriction Requirement, the Examiner is invited to contact one of the undersigned attorneys at (312) 704-1890.

Respectfully submitted,

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